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Applicant : Palacios et al.
Appl. No. : 10/026,108
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Title : Apparatus and Method For
Applying Reinforcement Material
To A Surgical Stapler

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LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due mailed April 1, 2005,
applicant herewith submits:

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